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December 23, 2004

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 and 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

December 23, 2004  
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

AMERADA HESS CORPORATION  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State of Incorporation)	1-1204 (Commission File Number)	13-4921002 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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1185 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, New York 10036  
(Address of Principal Executive Office)

(212) 997-8500  
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(Not Applicable)  
(Former Name or Former Address,  
If Changed Since Last Report)

Item 8.01 Other Events

On December 23, 2004, Amerada Hess Corporation issued a news release reporting on an agreement relating to future natural gas sales from Block A-18 of the Malaysia-Thailand Joint Development Area. A copy of this news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99 and is hereby incorporated by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99 News release dated December 23, 2004

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: December 23, 2004

AMERADA HESS CORPORATION

By: /s/ J. Barclay Collins II

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Name: J. Barclay Collins II  
Title: Executive Vice President

